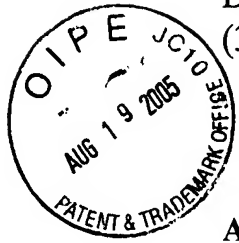


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**PETITION FOR A ONE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

Sir:

Applicants hereby petition for a one-month extension of time in  
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A check for the filing fee of \$120.00 covering the required statutory fee for the one-month extension of time is attached. The Director is authorized to charge any additional fees of credit any overpayments to our Deposit Account No.: 01-0035.

Respectfully submitted,



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